



Library opens Fairy Tale Mesa



Councilmember Frye, other officials and children from the Soille San Diego Hebrew Day School celebrated the opening of the Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library's Fairy Tale Mesa on Jan. 17. This project, funded through the First Five Commission, is a great addition to our district's newest library.

The installation, covering most of the outdoor area behind the library, has nature-themed play stations and structures designed to encourage young children and their parents to interact imaginatively to learn about art, music and the natural world.

Beginning in 2004, Frye assisted with the First Five application process, and she was thrilled to see the installation finally become a reality.

Community members reviewed and approved Fairy Tale Mesa's conceptual design in 2008. With input from residents, the design artists incorporated a vernal pool with fairy shrimp into the installation, along with other local nature concepts. The artists are Kipp Kobayashi and Noel Korten, with Donna Beveridge serving as their child-development expert. Frye is grateful for their talent and



With help from a newfound amphibious friend, Donna and Library Director Deborah Barrow welcomed schoolchildren to Fairy Tale Mesa.

dedication to the children who will benefit from the installation.

Many people were involved in bringing this to completion. Special thanks go to Les Williamson and Buzz Gibbs for their assistance on the Artist Selection Panel. They are dedicated community members who care deeply about our branch library. Frye also thanks members of the City of San Diego Arts and Culture Commission, especially Victoria Hamilton and Dana Springs, for their efforts on behalf of the library.

So bring the kids out to the library, 9005 Aero Drive, and see how much fun they'll have at Fairy Tale Mesa.



Part ship, part plane, the "aerial boat" has a hidden trove of assorted abstract treasures buried inside for children to explore. It is one of several creative structures in the Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library's new interactive installation.

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Diverse opinions sought for MV Plan

Stakeholder committee will set goals for update

Attention, Mission Valley residents, taxpayers and small-business operators: San Diego planners want your ideas for a better community.

The City Planning and Community Investment Department is intensifying outreach efforts to interest average, every-day citizens in participating in a Stakeholders Advisory Committee that will help shape the future vision of Mission Valley in an updated Community Plan.

The 21-member committee, expected to be empanelled by late spring, will work with a consulting firm to identify and define Mission Valley's most pressing needs over the next 20 years.

The consultants will undertake technical studies on key issues such as traffic, mobility, development and recreational needs. But those efforts should be guided by the stakeholders group, said Senior Planner Brian Schoenfisch, who is supervising the Mission Valley update.

"Rather than have these guys work in isolated form, we want the community to help express its vision – what it is they like and don't like about Mission Valley," Schoenfisch said. "We want to have that help shape the consultants' work and have the consultants be accountable to the community."

Under departmental guidelines, 11 of the committee's 21 seats will be filled by the Mission Valley Planning Group, the community's formal advisory body. City planners want a wide range of applicants for the other 10 seats.

"The real experts are the people who work in the community, who live in the community," Schoenfisch said. "They're the ones who know the community on a day-to-day basis. They're the ones who have to get to the store to get whatever they need. They're the ones jogging the river, who know what the recreational needs are."



The San Diego River will have increased prominence in the effort getting under way to update the Mission Valley Community Plan.

Businesses eligible for recycling awards

San Diego, CA – Does your business or organization recycle? If so, you could win the City of San Diego's *Recycler of the Year Award* or the *Director's Recycling Award*. Each year, the City's Environmental Services Department (ESD) selects businesses and organizations located in the City that have implemented or expanded innovative and successful waste reduction, recycling and recycled product purchasing programs. The Recycler of the Year Award winners will be honored at a Special Event in April, 2010.

"After the City Recycling Ordinance went into effect in January, 2007, the efforts of our residents and businesses have resulted in San Diego reaching a 64% recycling diversion rate earlier this year," said Mayor Jerry Sanders. "We would like to recognize the companies and organizations that take the initiative and develop recycling and waste reduction programs because we see them as leaders that are setting an example for others to follow," he added.

Recycling award applications are due by Friday, February 19, 2010. Award applications can be downloaded from www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/recycling/advantage.shtml or obtained by calling Meghan Grodeon at 858-492-5009. Completed recycling award applications must be faxed to 858-492-5089, e-mailed to MGrodeon@sandiego.gov or mailed to:

City of San Diego
Environmental Services Department
Attention: Meghan Grodeon
9601 Ridgehaven Court, Suite 320
San Diego, CA 92123

The Environmental Services Department provides local businesses with assistance in developing waste reduction and recycling programs with a free comprehensive waste analysis. For more information about ESD's programs, call 858-694-7000, or visit the website at www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/

With help from an unpaid intern working for college credit, the department is sending out flyers to residential complexes, offices and shopping centers throughout Mission Valley, urging residents and business operators to fill out a brief form by March 1 to express interest in serving on the stakeholder committee. Additional information is available at www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpu/missionvalley or by contacting Schoenfisch at (619) 533-6457 or bschoenfisch@sandiego.gov.

"It's important to hear different perspectives, to hear from a wide range – a diverse range – of people on what's important to them in their community," Schoenfisch said. "We need this group of public-spirited citizens to help us shape a unique vision for Mission Valley."

"This is truly an enormous project, but as a team we're going to get to work on it."



M.L. King lauded at annual event

Donna and Skip Frye joined hundreds of community leaders and activists at the 15th annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Breakfast on Monday, Jan. 18, hosted by the United African American Ministerial Action Council. The event featured a traditional hearty Southern-style breakfast, the San Diego Women's Drum Circle, Herb Cawthorne's moving recitation of Dr. King's "Drum Major" speech and keynote speaker Rev. Ikenna Kokayi from Christ Church in South Park. After shortened speeches this year, the program quickly transitioned into a multicultural arts gala featuring Oak Park Music Conservatory "Chorus", Gospel Singer Duena Watkins, Kathy Villalobos of *Called 2 Dance*, saxophonist Steven Cross, vocalist Deeja Marie and work by local artists. It was definitely a great event in honor of a great American.



Joining Donna at the Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast were, from left, Skip Frye, Southeastern San Diego community leader and activist Kathleen Harman, San Diego Unified School District Board Member Sheila Jackson and equal-rights activist Lisa Kove.

Commission watchdogs City investments



City Treasurer Gale Granewich, right, and other Funds Commissioners at work.

The Funds Commission, created by the City Council in 1977, is a group tasked with the supervision and control over all trust, perpetuity and investment funds of the City, and certain pension funds the City controls. Its duties include conducting reviews of City funds to make sure they are being invested wisely and managed properly.

The Commission meets quarterly on the seventh floor of City Hall, 202 C St. It consists of five members: the City Treasurer, a City Attorney's official, a bank expert and two at-large citizens. Members are prohibited from engaging in any activity that could result in conflict of interest and must file annual statements of financial disclosure.

The members are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council for four-year terms. Most recently, on Jan. 26, Geri Dillingham of University City was re-appointed to her at-large citizen seat.

For further information about the Funds Commission, visit <http://www.sandiego.gov/city-clerk/boards-commissions/funds.shtml> or call the panel's recording secretary, Angel Hill, at (619) 236-6112.



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February 6, 2010
MIRA MESA HIGH SCHOOL
10510 Reagan Road
(South Lot on Reagan Road)
San Diego, CA 92126

March 20, 2010
SCHOOL OF CREATIVE & PERFORMING ARTS
2425 Dusk Drive
(Between Alta View Dr. & Parkside)
San Diego, CA 92139

April 24, 2010
SOUTHWEST HIGH SCHOOL
1685 Hollister Street
(South Parking Lot)
San Diego, CA 92154

May 8, 2010
CITY OF SAN DIEGO PUBLIC UTILITIES
5571 Kearny Villa Road
(Corner Kearny Villa Road @ Topaz Way)
San Diego, CA 92123

For more information call: (858) 694-7000

To find a used oil recycling center near you: <http://www.cicmb.ca.gov/UsedOilCenters/>

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Frye offers reports on D6 communities

Councilmember Frye visited community groups in Clairemont, Linda Vista and Serra Mesa last month -- and was scheduled to go to Mission Valley Feb. 3 -- to deliver her annual "state of" reports on each community in District Six.

The reports provide updated information on development projects, traffic issues and improvements, and city-wide issues of interest and importance to each of the communities Frye represents. After summarizing topics covered in the reports, Frye fielded comments and questions on wide-ranging concerns raised by residents, from neighborhood issues to those affecting the City as a whole.

The 2010 "State of Clairemont," "State of Linda Vista," "State of Mission Valley" and "State of Serra Mesa/Kearny Mesa" reports will be posted on the District Six Web site, <http://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd6/>.



Frye delivered her "State of Linda Vista" report to the Linda Vista Town Council on Jan. 21.

LV neighborhood recycling event scheduled

Residents in the Coolidge Street neighborhood of Linda Vista will have the opportunity to get rid of accumulated junk for free on Tuesday, March 2.

Those living along Coolidge Street, and on the four short courts between Tait Street and Kramer Street, may discard a variety of recyclable and non-recyclable items by simply placing them at the curb before 8 a.m. for collection.

The Environmental Services Department will pick up recyclables, including appliances, electronics, lawnmowers (free of gas and oil), metals, wood and yard trimmings (bundled and tied, and not over 50 pounds, nor 6 feet long). They will also pick up carpeting, junk furniture, mattresses, and palm fronds (bundled and tied; not over 50 pounds nor 6 feet long.)

Items that will not be accepted include any kind of light bulb, hazardous wastes (paint, motor oil, batteries, etc.), propane tanks/gas cylinders, tires, construction rubble, or dirt.

Household hazardous waste can be disposed of at the Miramar Landfill on Convoy Street, just north of Hwy. 52. Such waste is accepted only on Saturdays between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. For more information, call Environmental Services at (858) 694-7000.

Local music legend Daniel Jackson is honored



Daniel at Croce's, doing what he does best. At a table in the background with Donna is Dorothy Annette, a local artist and former member of the San Diego Arts & Culture Commission.

Daniel Jackson, a living treasure in San Diego music, had a week proclaimed in his honor on Jan. 24 by Councilmember Frye. The 74-year-old native is an acclaimed tenor saxophonist, pianist and composer who played with Ray Charles' band in the 60's, but spent most of his working life in San Diego when other friends left for larger music centers and fame. He stayed local and dedicated his life to the jazz scene here and mentoring students who now play and teach yet another generation. Most Sunday afternoons he's playing at Croce's Jazz Bar in the downtown Gaslamp District, and he often can be found at Sharp Memorial Hospital during the week, playing the lobby piano for patients and visitors. For more on Daniel, visit his Web site, www.danieljacksonmusic.com.



MVPG election scheduled March 3

The Mission Valley Planning Group is hoping for a big turnout at its March meeting, which will include a biannual election for 12 of the group's 24 seats.

The advisory board is seeking to fill three seats in each of four qualifying categories defined in its bylaws: Mission Valley residents, property owners, taxpayers and business operators.

The group advises the San Diego Planning Commission and City Council on community development and land-use issues. Board members are elected to four-year terms and are eligible to serve two terms – or more than two if they are unopposed for re-election and get at least two-thirds of the vote. Planning group service is voluntary and unpaid.

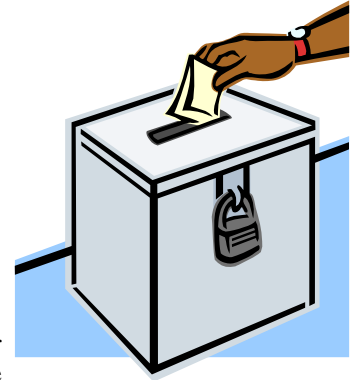
Below are the current Mission Valley board members whose seats are up for election, listed by the category they represent:

- Resident: Randy Dolph and Dottie Surdi. (One resident seat is presently unfilled.)
- Property owner: Pat Grant, Henry Hoxie and John Tessier.
- Taxpayer: Paul Brown, Gina Cord and Marco Sessa.
- Business operator: Deborah Bossmeyer, Bob Doherty and Mark Silverman.

Board member Lisa Gualco, who chairs the group's election committee, said it was unknown last month which, if any, current members would seek re-election, or the names or number of other candidates. Property owners Grant, Hoxie and Tessier have served two terms and would have to be unopposed to be re-elected.

Under the group bylaws, candidates for seats in any category must have attended at least two of the group's monthly meetings in the 12 months before the election. Voters must show proof of eligibility as members of at least one of the four qualifying categories.

The Mission Valley Planning Group meets noon to 2 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month – that's March 3 next month – at the Mission Valley Branch Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway.



EPA sets new standards for lead paint removal

Was your home, apartment or condo built before 1978? If so, lead-based paint was most likely used in its original construction. Residents need to be aware of the dangers of lead-based paint and a new U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regulation that will affect neighborhoods throughout San Diego.

Due to the dangers of lead, especially for children, as of April 22, 2010, the EPA will require that all construction disturbing lead-based paint must be performed by lead-certified contractors.



Renovations disturbing lead-based paint include general construction, painting renovations, routine maintenance, window and door repair or replacements and residential projects involving sanding, scraping, heating or power washing of painted surfaces.

Lead is most often found around door frames, window sills, stairs, railings, porches and fences. Simply vacuuming or sweeping can circulate lead throughout your home. This is particularly dangerous for children as lead dust can land on toys, remote controls, and other items children touch and put in their mouths.

Children with high levels of lead in their bodies can suffer from problems ranging from brain and nervous system damage to hyperactivity and slowed growth. Lead is also harmful to adults, who can suffer ailments ranging from hypertension, nerve disorders, memory problems and joint pain.

Children often do not look or act sick when they have lead in their systems, but their small bodies absorb the chemical quickly and retain it. The only way to know if a child is suffering from lead poisoning is to have a doctor perform a simple blood test.

Painting over lead-based paint does not remove the hazard. Abatement methods include removing, sealing, or enclosing lead-based paint with special materials. Certified contractors employ qualified workers and follow strict safety rules governed by the State of California and the federal government. Contact the San Diego Housing Commission (<http://www.sdhc.net/>) or the National Lead Information Center (<http://www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/nlic.htm>) to locate certified contractors and financial assistance. Additional information is available at <http://www.epa.gov/oppt/lead/> or <http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/CLPPB/Documents/CLP>.

-Contributed by Carolyn Grondin, co-owner
Grondin Construction, Inc.

(Grondin Construction a lead-certified contractor. For more information, about the company, call (858) 549-1682 or visit www.grondinconstructioninc.com).



Free programs at our libraries

Mission Valley Branch Library
2123 Fenton Parkway, (858) 573-5007

Feb. 1: Yoga for Kids
(Ages 2-3, 1:15 p.m.; ages 45, 1:50 p.m.)



Feb. 8: Movie Night at the Library, 5:30 p.m.
"Goal!: The Dream Begins" (Rated PG-13)

Feb. 18: Rahim the Entertainer, 10:30 a.m.
Music, song and storytelling celebrating Black History Month

Feb. 22: Adult Book Club, 6:30 p.m.
Outcasts United: An American Town, a Refugee Team
and *One Woman's Quest to Make a Difference*, Warren St. John



Through Feb. 25: Art Display
Allied Craftsmen of San Diego works in clay, metal, fiber and wood

Clairemont Library
2920 Burgener Blvd., (858) 581-9935



Feb 3: Art class for children ages 6-12, 4 p.m.
Author/illustrator Lisa Davis DeMattei

Feb. 3: Adult Book Club, 6 p.m.
(At Same Old Grind Coffee & Tea Shop, 3077-A Clairemont Drive)
Outcasts United, Warren St. John



Feb. 11: Exploring the Renaissance Through Sound, 1 p.m.
Interactive discussion and music-making led by Resounding Joy



Important Phone Numbers

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| Abandoned Vehicles | 858-495-7856 |
| Animal Regulation | 619-236-4250 |
| Beach & Bay Advisory | 619-338-2073 |
| Birth and Death Records | 619-237-0502 |
| Brush/Weed Abatement | 619-533-4444 |
| Building Permits | 619-446-5000 |
| Buses/MTS Access | 619-233-3004 |
| Canyon Watchers Program | 858-292-6484 |
| City Council Docket Info | 619-533-4000 |
| City Directory | 619-236-5555 |
| Code Violations | 619-236-5500 |
| Curb Maintenance | 619-527-7500 |
| Dead Animal Removal | 858-694-7000 |
| Dog Licenses | 619-767-2675 |
| Fire Stations | 619-533-4300 |
| Graffiti | 619-525-8522 |
| Hazardous Materials Hotline | 858-694-7000 |
| Housing Commission | 619-231-9400 |
| Humane Society | 619-299-7012 |
| Libraries | |
| Balboa | 858-573-1390 |
| Clairemont | 858-581-9935 |
| Linda Vista | 858-573-1399 |
| Mission Valley | 858-573-5000 |
| North Clairemont | 858-581-9931 |
| Serra Mesa | 858-573-1396 |
| Noise Regulation | 619-236-5500 |
| Office of Small Business | 619-685-1390 |
| Park and Recreation | 619-525-8219 |
| Parking Citations | 619-236-7145 |
| Police: Non-Emergency | 619-531-2000 |
| Pot Hole Hotline | 619-527-7500 |
| Recreation Centers | |
| Kearny Mesa | 858-573-1387 |
| Linda Vista | 858-573-1392 |
| North Clairemont | 858-581-9926 |
| Serra Mesa | 858-573-1408 |
| South Clairemont | 858-581-9924 |
| Tecolote | 858-581-9933 |
| Recycling Hotline | 858-694-7000 |
| Senior Citizens Services | 619-236-6905 |
| Serra Mesa Community Connection | 858-565-2473 |
| Sewer Repair/Spills | 619-515-3525 |
| Sidewalk Maintenance | 619-527-7500 |
| Social Services Information | 211 |
| Stormwater Pollution Hotline | 619-235-1000 |
| Street Lights | 619-527-7500 |
| Street Sweeping | 619-527-7500 |
| Traffic Control | 619-533-3126 |
| Tree Maintenance | 619-527-7500 |
| Waste Reduction & Disposal | 858-492-5010 |
| Water Emergency | 619-515-3525 |
| Water Utilities | 619-515-3500 |
| Zoning Regulation Information | 619-236-5555 |

District Six Community Meetings

Clairemont Town Council, <http://www.clairemontonline.com/>

Place: Clairemont High School Cafeteria
4150 Ute Drive
When: 1st Thursday/Month
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Clairemont Mesa Planning Committee

Place: LiveWell San Diego (formerly Clairemont Senior Friendship Center)
4425 Bannock Ave.
When: 3rd Tuesday/Month
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Kearny Mesa Planning Group

Place: Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library
9005 Aero Drive
When: 3rd Wednesday/Month
Time: 12:00 p.m.

Linda Vista Town Council

Place: Baha'i Center
6545 Alcala Knolls Drive
When: 3rd Thursday/Month
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Linda Vista Planning Group

Place: Linda Vista Library
2160 Ulric Street
When: 4th Monday/Month
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Mission Bay Park Committee

Place: Rotating Venue
When: 1st Tuesday/Month
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Mission Valley Community Council

Place: Mission Valley Library
2123 Fenton Parkway
When: 3rd Monday/Odd Months
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Mission Valley Planning Group

Place: Mission Valley Library
2123 Fenton Parkway
When: 1st Wednesday/Month
Time: 12:00 p.m.

Serra Mesa Community Council, www.serramesa.org

Place: Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library
9005 Aero Drive
When: 4th Wednesday/Month
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Serra Mesa Planning Group

Place: Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library
9005 Aero Drive
When: 3rd Thursday/Month
Time: 7:00 p.m.



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